

# State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SIXTH SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2001

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SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

ENGROSSED NO. **SB 144** - 02/08/2001

Introduced by: Senators Vitter and Putnam and Representatives Broderick, Bartling,  
Pederson (Gordon), Slaughter, and Van Gerpen

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require any person who tampers or interferes with certain  
2 highway markers, signs, or control devices to be liable for damages.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:  
4 Section 1. That § 31-28-23 be amended to read as follows:  
5 31-28-23. No person may, without lawful authority, attempt or actually alter, deface, injure,  
6 knock down, remove, or in any manner molest or interfere with any official highway marker,  
7 sign, guide board, traffic-control device, or any railroad sign or signal, barrier, warning device,  
8 or sign erected in connection with highway maintenance or construction activities. A violation  
9 of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Any person who violates this section is liable for any  
10 damages resulting either directly or as the proximate cause of such act.